

To: Elliott, Dan[delliott@ap.org]
From: Engels, Alan
Sent: Tue 8/11/2015 6:27:42 PM
Subject: RE: FOIA Request EPA-R8-2015-009712 Submitted

I will work with the FOIA Coordinator that has the request to consolidate FOIAs EPA-R8-2015-009712 and EPA-R8-2015-009771.

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Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 12:24 PM
To: Engels, Alan
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Alan:

That sounds good. Should I resubmit then, or can you consolidate?

Dan

From: Engels, Alan [<mailto:engels.alan@epa.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 12:23 PM
To: Elliott, Dan
Subject: RE: FOIA Request EPA-R8-2015-009712 Submitted

Dan:

It will not delay the response. Once we make a decision on which way to proceed, I will make sure the remaining FOIA is modified to include all parts of your requests and process them in a single request. We would then notify you that one has been closed and consolidated.

I am fine with either.

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Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 11:58 AM
To: Engels, Alan
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Alan:

Would consolidating them mean they would move back in the queue? I don't object to consolidating them, but I didn't want to do that if it meant delaying my first request by giving it a later filing date.

Dan

From: Engels, Alan [<mailto:engels.alan@epa.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 11:56 AM
To: Elliott, Dan
Subject: RE: FOIA Request EPA-R8-2015-009712 Submitted

Dan:

I will make the correction in the FOIAonline system.

Some of the language in both FOIAs seem very similar in nature, did you want to leave the request the way they are, or did you want to consolidate the information you are looking for into one request.

Where there is overlap in information you may receive the same data twice or may be referred to the original request for information. It is just a thought. If I do not receive a reply, I will proceed with them as separate requests.

Sincerely,

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Sent: Tuesday, August 11, 2015 11:51 AM

To: Engels, Alan

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Alan:

I didn't submit a revised FOIA, so I would appreciate it if you can make the correction, if that's possible.

I'm not sure who submitted EPA-R8-2015-009771. I did submit EPA-R8-2015-009779, but that asks for other information.

Thanks for the information on the website. I've been checking it regularly.

Dan

From: Engels, Alan [mailto:engels.alan@epa.gov]
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To: Elliott, Dan
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Dan:

Did you attempt to correct this by submitting a new FOIA (EPA-R8-2015-009771)?

I can make the correction within the original FOIA request or I can close out the original request (EPA-R8-2015-009712). Please let me know how you would like to proceed.

EPA does have a public page pertaining to the spill - For the latest information and photos visit:
<http://www2.epa.gov/region8/gold-king-mine-release-emergency-response>

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Alan:

My FOIA request mentioned below contains an error. The Gold King Mine is in San Juan County, not La Plata County. How do I go about making a correction?

Thank you.

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From: engels.alan@epa.gov [<mailto:engels.alan@epa.gov>]
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To: Elliott, Dan
Subject: FOIA Request EPA-R8-2015-009712 Submitted

This message is to confirm your request submission to the FOIAonline application: [View Request](#). Request information is as follows:

- Tracking Number: EPA-R8-2015-009712
- Requester Name: Dan Elliott
- Date Submitted: 08/07/2015
- Request Status: Submitted
- Description: 1. Planning and design documents for entering the Gold King Mine in La Plata County, Colorado, to investigate whether and how to pump wastewater out of the mine for cleanup and disposal.

2. Any risk assessments drawn up for entering the Gold King Mine.
3. Any EPA guidelines and/or requirements for safety measures, planning and designing entry into inactive mines for the purposes of cleanup activities.
4. The name of the on-site supervisor for the planned entry into the Gold King Mine, which resulted in a blowout on Aug. 6, 2015.
5. The name of the company or companies that provided contract labor, equipment or other services for the planned entry into the Gold King Mine.

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